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December 1, 1986

The Honorable Robert Kerrey
Governor, State of Nebraska
State Capitol Building
Lincoln, Nebraska 68509

Dear Governor Kerrey:

The Nebraska Public Service Commission respectfully submits to you its Biennial Report for the fiscal years which began July 1, 1984 and July 1, 1985.

This report has been prepared and transmitted in accordance with the provision of Section 75-107, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943.

Sincerely,

Robert Brayton

Robert Brayton
Chairman

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COMMISSIONERS
BOB BRAYTON
DUANE GAY
JAMES F. MUNNELLY
ERIC RASMUSSEN
HAROLD SIMPSON

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY:
DONALD D. ADAMS, JR.

Nebraska Public Service Commission, L to R, Front Row: Harold Simpson, Bob Brayton, Duane Gay. Second Row: Eric Rasmussen, James Munnelly.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION DISTRICTS
As Established by LB 551
1981 Legislative Session

BOB BRAYTON
District 5

ERIC C. RASMUSSEN
District 4

ROBERT O. "BOB" BRAYTON was born in Red Oak, Iowa, June 1, 1918. He attended school in Iowa and graduated with a B.S. in Business Administration from the University of Nebraska at Omaha in 1941. His previous positions include: co-owner, Nelson-Brayton Hay Company, Administrative Assistant to Congresswoman Virginia Smith and Rural Coordinator in the Nebraska Department of Economic Development. Commissioner Brayton and his wife, Janice Nelson, have three children, Ann, Kathy, and Brad. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, American Legion, the V.F.W., and the Masons. He was appointed to the Public Service Commission, April 23, 1982 for the term ending January 1, 1987 and did not seek reelection. His home address is: Box H, Stuart, Nebraska 68780.

ERIC C. RASMUSSEN was born in York County, Nebraska, February 9, 1926. He and his wife, Marie, have two children: Luann Marie and Eric Clark. He is a member of the American Legion, the Cordova Trinity Lutheran Church, Tabitha Home Board, and the Committee on Motor and Air Transportation, National Association of Regulatory and Utility Commissioners. He was elected to the Railway Commission in November, 1968, and reelected to the Public Service Commission in November, 1974, 1980 and 1986. His home address is: Rt. 2, Box 47, Fairmont, Nebraska 68354.

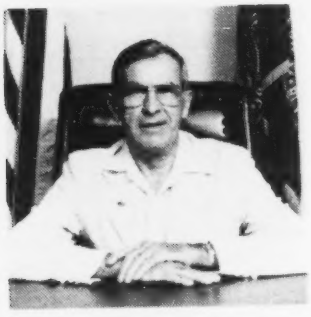
DUANE D. GAY
District 3

DUANE D. GAY was born in Clifton, Kansas, January 24, 1932. He graduated from the University of Nebraska in 1957 with a B.S. degree in Business Administration with an economics major. He was previously a real estate broker and a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers. He is currently a member of the NARUC Committee on Railroads, the American Legion, the Elks, the V.F.W., and the Methodist Church. Commissioner Gay and his wife, Ina Rae, have five children: Tobias, Tammara, Todd, Timothy, and Teresa. He was elected to the Railway Commission November 1970, and reelected to the Public Service Commission November, 1976 and 1982. His home address is: 1621 Fifteenth Street, Columbus, Nebraska 68601.

JAMES F. MUNNELLY
District 2

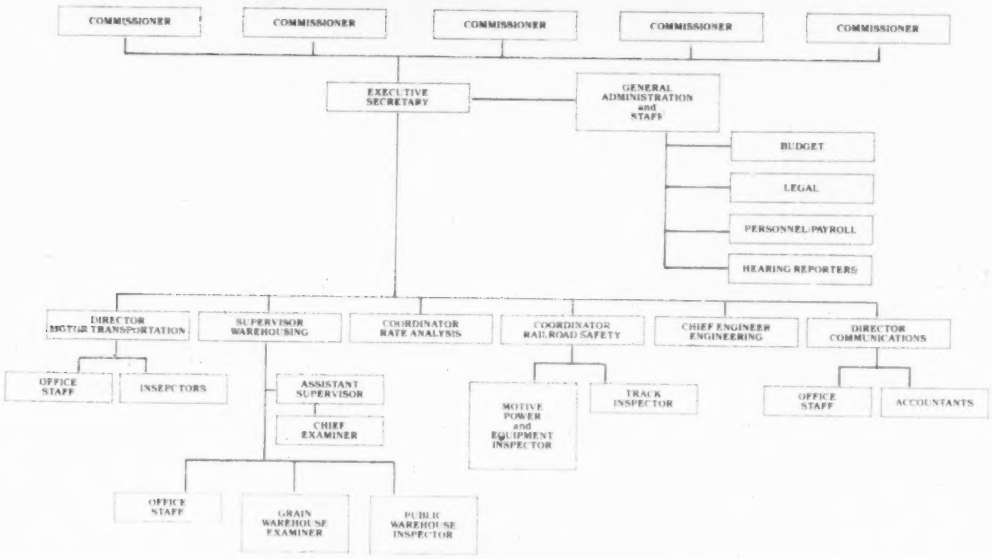
JAMES F. MUNNELLY was born in Omaha, Nebraska, February 22, 1922. He was educated in Omaha and attended Iowa State University, Engineering Extension Division and the University of Wisconsin School of Commerce Regulatory Short Course. He was elected to the Railway Commission, November 1966, and reelected to the PSC in November, 1972, 1978, and 1984. He is a member of the Ex. Comm. National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners Committee on Administration and Personnel, and the Midwest Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners. His home address is: 5531 Hascall Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68106.

HAROLD D. SIMPSON
District 1



HAROLD D. SIMPSON was born in Harlan, Iowa on June 1, 1926. He was educated in Irwin, Iowa Consolidated Public Schools. He is a former milling employee and was a member of the Nebraska Legislature from 1967 to 1977. Commissioner Simpson has six children: Roger, Harold Jr., John, Marjorie, Thomas, and James. He is a member of the American Legion, Woodmen of the World, Independent Order of Foresters, the Methodist Church, and the Nebraska Softball Association. He was elected to the Public Service Commission in November, 1976 and reelected November, 1982. He is a member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners on Telecommunications. His home address is: 1729 South 9th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska 68502.

Nebraska Public Service Commission Organization Chart



Roster of Employees

General Administration:

Donald D. Adams, Jr. . . . . Executive Secretary
Hal Hasselbalch . . . . . Staff Attorney
Susan Lamborn . . . . . Court Reporter
Grace Shackelford . . . . . Budget and Payroll
Lou Ann Taff . . . . . Secretary
Nancye Vanourny . . . . . Receptionist

Rates and Services:

John Schmidt . . . . . Rate Analyst
Joyce Bjorklund . . . . . Secretary

Communications and Accounting:

Herb Sherdon . . . . . Director
John Burvainis . . . . . Accountant
Deanna Hall . . . . . Secretary
Bobbi Murtaugh . . . . . Financial Analyst

Engineering & Railroad Inspection

Gene Hand . . . . . Engineer
Wilburn Colley . . . . . RR Track Inspector
Charles Faulder . . . . . RR Freight Car Inspector

Grain Warehouse:

Mike Gauthier . . . . . Supervisor
Marilyn Burman . . . . . Secretary
Marcine Holz . . . . . Secretary
Arlene Jones . . . . . Clerk-Typist
Joan Keown . . . . . Coordinator of Warehouse Operations
Berdean Kohtz . . . . . Assistant Supervisor
Pamela Roesler . . . . . Accountant
Tami Strube . . . . . Clerk/Court Reporter
Dorothy Thompson . . . . . Clerk-Typist
Mike Bartels . . . . . Examiner
Tony Bestwick . . . . . Examiner
Robert Bowman . . . . . Examiner
Willis Buchholz . . . . . Examiner
Nick Dahlgren . . . . . Examiner
Dale Donelson . . . . . Examiner
Dennis Else . . . . . Examiner
Robert Harmon . . . . . Examiner
Gregory Klingsporn . . . . . Examiner
Dennis McKay . . . . . Examiner
Dave Meyer . . . . . Examiner
Donald Onwiler . . . . . Examiner
Dean Rasmussen . . . . . Examiner
Ralph Rhoades . . . . . Examiner
John Riese . . . . . Examiner
Wesley Rippe . . . . . Examiner
Gary Green . . . . . Moisture Testing Inspector
Donald Kendle . . . . Moisture Testing Inspector
Merle Stromberg . . Public Warehouse Inspector

Motor Transportation:

Wayne Rowe . . . . . Director
Deborah Barkley . . . . . Clerk-Typist
Judy Freeman . . . . . Secretary
Marilyn Manske . . . . . Staff Assistant
Teresa Rezac . . . . . Secretary
Edward Houfek . . . . . Inspector
Michael Janulewicz . . . . . Inspector
Jack Mahoney . . . . . Inspector
Darrell Manning . . . . . Inspector
Oliver Smith . . . . . Inspector
Robert Spires . . . . . Inspector

History

The Railway Commission of 1885 consisted of the Attorney General, Secretary of State, and Auditor of Public Accounts, each authorized to appoint one secretary. The Commissioners were empowered to supervise all railroads operated within the state, to examine the books and papers of any railroad; and to issue subpoenas and administer oaths. The Board of Railway Commissioners existed for only two years.

The Legislature of 1887 created a Board of Transportation composed of the Attorney General, Secretary of State, Auditor of Public Accounts, State Treasurer, Commissioner of Public Lands and Buildings, and three appointed secretaries. This Board was given power to investigate, set dates for hearings, and inquire into the management of the business of all common carriers. The Legislature expanded the functions of this Board by placing the licensing and regulation of public warehouses under its jurisdiction in 1891. In 1892 the Board of Transportation undertook the task of classifying and fixing minimum freight rates to be charged by the railroads within the state. Jurisdiction over telephone, telegraph, and express companies and their rates were given the Board by law in 1897.

In 1901 the Supreme Court found the law creating the Board of Transportation to be unconstitutional, and from 1901 to 1906 control of railroads was the responsibility of the Legislature.

The Legislature of 1905 drew up a proposal for a constitutional amendment to create an elective Railway Commission. It was made up of three members to hold office for six years. This constitutional amendment was ratified by the voters of the state in 1906.

The validity of the amendment creating the Railway Commission was tested in 1907, and the Supreme Court held that the amendment was legal and the elected Commissioners were fully qualified to perform their duties.

The last change in the structure of the Nebraska State Railway Commission occurred in January of 1964 when the Commission was enlarged to five members. The state was divided into five districts, each electing one Commissioner.

The first annual report of the Nebraska State Railway Commission to the Governor covered only railroads and telegraph and telephone companies. The Commission's current biennial report also includes aircraft operations, transmission lines, motor carriers, grain buyer's licenses, itinerant merchants, joint board activities, grain warehouse and public warehouse licenses, moisture testing of grain, Railroad Accident Investigation, and the registration of interstate carriers. To accommodate this workload, the Commission has divided this agency in the following departments: General Administration, Motor Transportation, Warehousing, Rate Analysis, Railroad Safety, Engineering, and Tele-Communications.

In November of 1972 the citizens of Nebraska voted to change the name of this agency; and in December, 1972, the Nebraska State Railway Commission became the Nebraska Public Service Commission.

General Administration

Donald D. Adams, Jr.
Executive Secretary

The administrative division is under the supervision of the Secretary of the Nebraska Public Service Commission. Appointed by the Commissioners, the Secretary acts as executive officer in coordinating and supervising the entire agency operation, and is the administrative assistant to the five Commissioners.

The Secretary's office is responsible for fiscal management, including accounting, purchasing, payroll, and budgetary matters. During the 1984-85 fiscal year revenue received by the Commission and deposited in the state's General Fund amounted to nearly 80 per cent of the total amount spent by this agency. During fiscal year 1985-86 revenue received by the Commission and deposited in the state's General Fund amounted to approximately 77 per cent of the total amount spent by this agency.

Public information regarding Commission decisions is disseminated through this office. Proposed legislation affecting the Commission is analyzed and the predicted impact of such legislation is reported to the state law-making body. The Secretary administers personnel policy under the direction of the Commissioners with respect to all staff and clerical positions. He also controls general investigatory procedures required by the Commission in the performance of its duties.

A true and complete record of all proceedings of the Nebraska Public Service Commission is kept in the office of the Secretary, where hearings are set, motions are filed, orders are signed, and every regulatory duty of the Commission is concluded.

Legal

Staff attorneys represent the Commission in proceedings before the Interstate Commerce Commission and assist the Attorney General's office with issues before the federal and state courts involving the Nebraska Public Service Commission.

In utility rate proceedings before this Commission, Department of Justice and staff attorneys, assisted by the accounting staff, present their case in an effort to insure that all relevant facts and law are brought to the attention of the Commission.

A Rate Case—What's Involved

The Nebraska Public Service Commission, under state law, is charged with the regulation of rates and services of private, investor-owned utilities and transportation companies which serve the public of this state. Nebraska Statutes direct the Commission to set rates for regulated utilities that allow a reasonable rate of return on an approved investment, conditioned by the quality of service rendered to utility customers.

Any change involving increases in utility and transportation rates is initiated by the individual utility, or in certain cases, through an association or agency. Reductions in rates are usually initiated by the Commission through its continuing surveillance program.

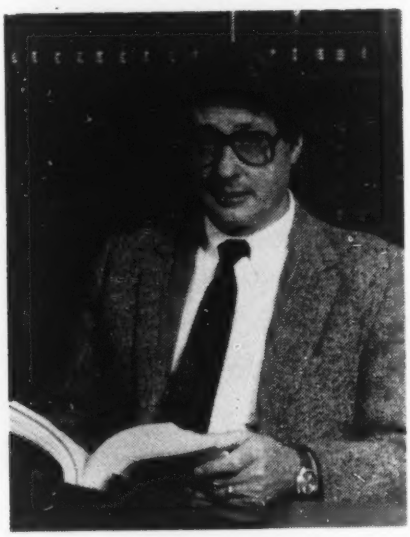
When a utility petitions the Commission for a rate increase, the company is required to file informational requirements concerning its operations, expenditures, assets, etc. Additional information and material may be required by the staff and active intervenors as the rate case progresses. This material is carefully examined by the Commission's staff attorneys, accountants, rate analysts and engineer.

Public hearings are usually held in cities located within the areas affected by the petitioning utility's services. During these hearings, customers of the utility are invited to attend and testify before the Commission as to the quality and adequacy of service being provided.

After evaluating all testimony and evidence derived from the hearing, the Commission staff makes a recommendation to the Commissioners on a fair rate of return on the rate base. The rate base is defined as the total original cost of operating property devoted to public service adjusted for accured depreciation of such property and other appropriate adjustments.

Upon the majority vote of the Commissioners, an order is issued setting the range of return that the utility will be allowed to earn on its investment. The utility cannot exceed the maximum allowable rate of return. Also, the allowed rate of return does not guarantee the utility that it will actually make that rate of return.

The utility then files with the Commission its suggested schedules of rates and charges. The Commission reviews them and may suggest revisions to reflect Commission policy. When they are found to be satisfactory, they are approved and become effective upon a specific date.



Hal Hasselbalch
Staff Attorney

General Administration Staff. Back Row: Susan Lamborn, Jerry York. Front Row: Grace Shackelford, Lou Ann Taft. Joyce Bjorklund.

RATES AND SERVICES DEPARTMENT

The Nebraska Public Service Commission is responsible for fixing the rates and regulations governing common carriers in the movement of passengers and property in intrastate commerce. The commission also prescribes minimum rates for contract carriers. The Rates and Services Department is responsible for administering the intrastate tariffs, investigating all rate applications and investigating all tariff abuses.

On January 1, 1986, by commission order, the printing and distribution of intrastate tariffs was transferred, to Truck Services, Inc., Agent, a division of Nebraska Motor Carriers' Association. Even though the intrastate tariffs are published by an outside agency, the contents and form are prescribed and approved by the commission. Each carrier authorized by the commission to operate in Nebraska intrastate commerce is required to maintain a copy of the applicable intrastate tariff(s) on file for public dissemination. Unless preempted by federal law, only those rates and regulations authorized by the Commission can be used in Nebraska intrastate commerce.

The Staggers Rail Act of 1980 and the Bus Regulatory Reform Act of 1982 have, except in a few instances, preempted the state's right to regulate rail and bus rates in intrastate commerce. These Congressional Acts have, therefore, limited the State's responsibility to rate and rule regulation of motor carriers engaged in the transportation of property, taxi cabs and limousines. The Public Service Commission does regulate the rates and rules for bus and rail activities which are conducted exclusively on an intrastate basis.

Since 1984, the Rates and Services Department processed over 200 rate applications of which 178 were granted. The rate applications ranged from requests for individual commodity rates to general rate increases. The commission successfully eliminated two intrastate tariffs, thus reducing the total number of active intrastate tariffs to seventeen.

The commission's actions have been instrumental in assuring the general public of a healthy viable intrastate transportation system. Due to competition within the state and the restraints imposed by the Commission, the cost of moving property in Nebraska commerce is at or below the interstate level for the same service.

John Schmidt
Rate Analyst

Warehousing

PUBLIC GRAIN WAREHOUSING

State Law requires that any grain dealer, person, firm, corporation, or association in the State which receives grain for storage, shipment, or both, must obtain a license for that purpose. A corporate surety bond, or certificate of deposit in an amount equal to or greater than the required bond, based on the capacity of the licensed facility(ies), must be filed with the Commission, along with proof of adequate insurance coverage against loss of grain in store. Provisions for filing an irrevocable letter of credit in lieu of bond were added in 1984. All licensed warehouses are inspected at least once each nine months, to assure compliance with the law and commission regulations, and to provide the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture with reports showing that those warehouses in which CCC has an interest are providing proper grain protection. In return for the reports it receives, the CCC bears a portion of the cost of examining grain warehouses, by making payments to the State of Nebraska. These payments are deposited in the State's General Fund.

PUBLIC WAREHOUSING

Any person, firm, corporation or association storing commodities, other than grain, for compensation, are required by law to be licensed and bonded and/or insured. Regular inspections are conducted on all such warehouses to insure adequate protection for the storer.

GRAIN DEALING

Any person, partnership, corporation or association, other than a grain warehouseman, who purchases grain for purposes of selling such grain, is required to be licensed and file a corporate surety bond. Producers, who sell their own grain or buy grain for feeding purposes, are exempt from this licensing requirement. Currently, a minimum net worth of $10,000 is required for licensing. Any agent or representative of a seller or buyer of grain, for the purpose of collective bargaining, must also be licensed pursuant to state law.

Each grain dealer is required to post a grain dealers bond based on 4% of the preceding year's grain sales with a minimum of $25,000 and a maximum of $100,000. A grain dealer may file an irrevocable letter of credit or certificate of deposit in lieu of bond. Each year a financial statement representing the grain dealers operations must be compiled by an independent certified public accountant or an independent accountant in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and filed with the commission.

Inspectors are on duty checking trucks throughout the state to provide for the regulation of this program.

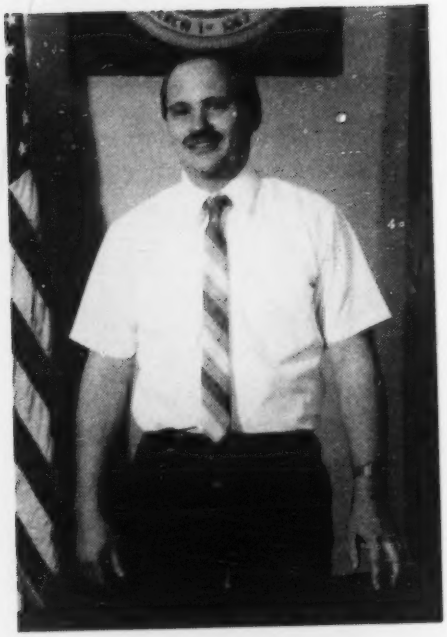
MOISTURE METER INSPECTION

Every grain moisture measuring device used or employed in this State by any proprietor, agent or lessee, or employee in proving or ascertaining the moisture content of grain offered for sale, sold, purchased, or in the process of being purchased, must be inspected to ascertain if it is accurate. Tolerances are established in conjunction with the standard as set by the United States Department of Agriculture.

Regular inspections are conducted on these machines by skilled inspectors who also maintain the Standards Laboratory in Lincoln, Nebraska.

MECHANICAL PROBES

Every mechanical probe in Nebraska used to collect a sample from a load of grain to determine foreign material content must be inspected to determine if it shall be approved by the Commission. All probes are tested by commission inspectors and tagged to show if they are approved or disapproved.



Mike Gauthier
Supervisor, Grain Warehousing

Berdean Kohtz
Assistant Supervisor,
Grain Warehousing

Grain Warehouse Department Staff. Back Row: Mike Gauthier, Marcine Holz, Berdean Kohtz, Pam Roesler, Dorothy Thompson, Nancye Vanourny. Front Row: Tami Strube, Joan Keown, Arlene Jones, Marilyn Burman.

Grain Warehouse Examiners

Grain Warehousing Staff, Back Row: Nick Dahlgren, Dennis McKay, Don Onwiler, Willis Buchholz, Dave Meyer, Tony Bestwick, Mike Bartels, Bob Bowman, Greg Klingsporn, Dean Rasmussen, Bob Harmon. Front Row: Mike Gauthier, Supervisor; Dennis Else; Joan Keown, Coordinator of Warehouse Operations; Wesley Rippe; Gene Rhoades; Berdean Kohtz, Assistant Supervisor; John Riese; Dale Donelson.

Pam Roesler
Staff Accountant

Communications

The Communications Department is responsible for assisting the Commission in the regulation of telephone and radio common car rier utilities in Nebraska. The work of the department includes processing applications and formal complaints, handling all inquiries and informal complaints from the public concerning communications companies, auditing the financial reports of the companies and issuing licenses to users of automatic dialing-announcing devices.

The following table shows, by broad categories, the number of applications and formal complaints processed by the department during the fiscal years indicated.

	1984-85	1985-86
Rates	2	4
Security issues	1	4
Tariff revisions	40	34
Purchase and sale	1	4
New services	1	
Certificates of Convenience and Necessity	11	8
Discontinuance of service		3
Miscellaneous	5	2
Formal complaints		2
Automatic dialer licenses	18	13

Rate increases were granted for six companies. The following table shows, for each company, the amount of increase requested and that allowed.

	REQUESTED	ALLOWED	PERCENT
Curtis Telephone Co.	$ 38,496	$ 38,496	100%
General Telephone Co. of Neb.	2,518,557	890,334	35%
Great Plains Communications	601,487	408,756	68%
Northwestern Bell Tel. Co.	34,400,000	22,633,000	66%
Stanton Telephone Co.	47,325	36,969	78%
United Tel. Co. of the West	1,882,883	746,403	40%

The issuance of a total of $44,814,950 in notes and $2,625,500 in preferred stock was authorized during the two fiscal years.

Tariffs were approved authorizing cellular mobile radio service in Omaha by two companies and the resale of their services by others.

Certificates of public convenience and necessity were issued for the operation of radio common carriers in Omaha, Cambridge and York, Nebraska as well as the resale of radio common carrier service in Omaha. GTE Sprint, MCI and US Telecom were authorized to provide interLATA interexchange service within Nebraska.

Great Plains Communications, Inc. acquired Continental Telephone

Company of Nebraska. Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. of Wall, SD acquired the White Clay Cooperative Telephone Company. Platte Valley Communications acquired the Grand Island radio common carrier facilities of Nebraska Radio Telephone Sys tems. Tracy Corporation II acquired the Ogallala radio common carrier facilities of Central Radiophone Co. GTE Sprint and US Telecom were merged to form US Sprint.

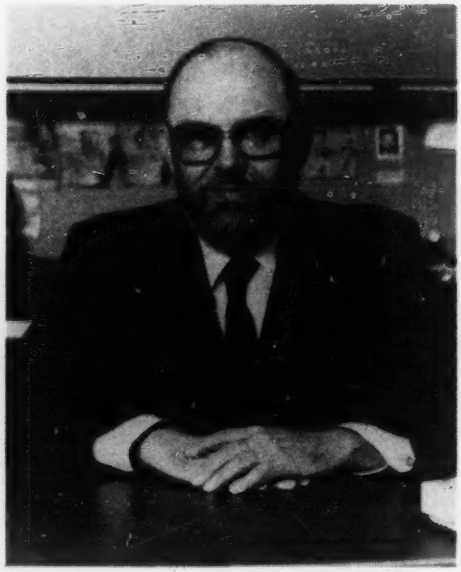
Landline telephone companies were authorized to discontinue mobile telephone service at Columbus and Scottsbluff, Nebraska with mobile service being provided by radio common carriers. AT&T Communications of the Midwest was denied authority to discontinue its Optional Calling Plan.

Two Formal Complaints were dismissed.

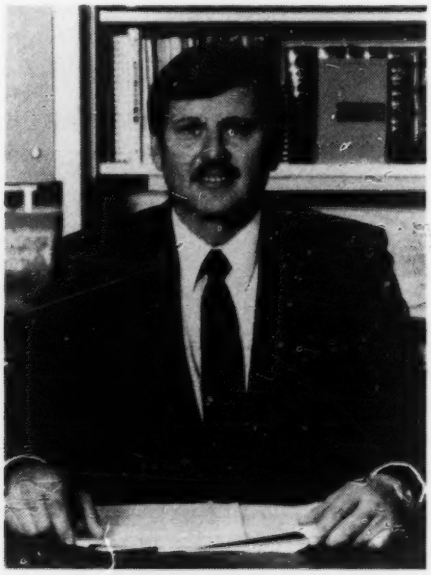
DEREGULATION

In 1986 the Legislature enacted LB 835 which, with minor excep tions, deregulates the rates and charges of communications companies in Nebraska. This bill has attracted attention from a number of other states where it is proposed as an example for other deregulation legislation.

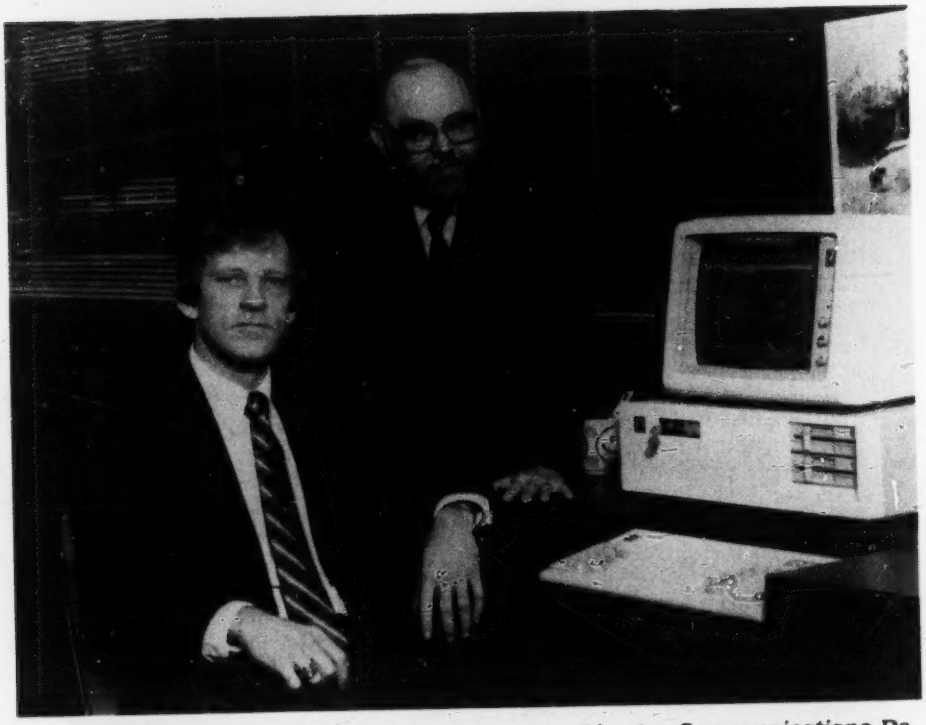
The Attorney General issued an opinion that LB 835 is unconstitutional whereupon the Public Service Commission voted on the basis of such opinion not to implement the act. The bill is now the subject of a suit in Lancaster District Court to determine its constitutionality.



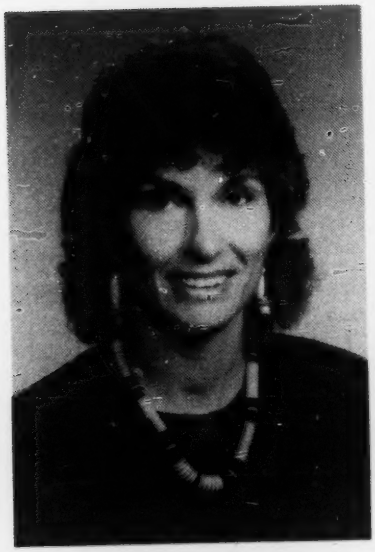
Herb Sherdon
Director, Communications Department



Gene Hand
Chief Engineer



John Burvainis, Accountant and Herb Sherdon, Director Communications Department



Bobbi Murtaugh
Financial Analyst

Deanna Hall, Secretary, Communications Department and Gene Hand, Engineer.

Motor Transportation

The Public Service Commission has broad powers to regulate motor carriers in this state. Matters pertaining to the industry are brought before the Commission for appropriate action. The Commission may grant or deny an application for a certificate of public need and necessity or contract carrier permit; and may revoke, cancel, suspend, or change any certificate or permit for violation of applicable Nebraska law or rule and regulation.

The Motor Transportation Department of the Public Service Commission has responsibility to administrate transportation by motor carriers as provided by Sections 75-301 to 75-322.01 R.R.S. 1943 and 75-348 to 75-362 R.R.S. 1943, and the Rules and Regulations adopted by the Commission as provided by 75-110 R.R.S. 1943.

Administrative responsibilities consist of maintaining a file on each of the motor carriers authorized to operate in intrastate and interstate commerce; process applications for certificates and permits; prepare orders, complaints and notifications; issue public service commission plates, cab cards and ID stamps; collect fees; receive complaints, protests and various filings; secure compliance with insurance requirements; provide information to motor carriers and the public; various other tasks required for efficient operation of the department; and direct the activities of Motor Transportation Department inspectors.

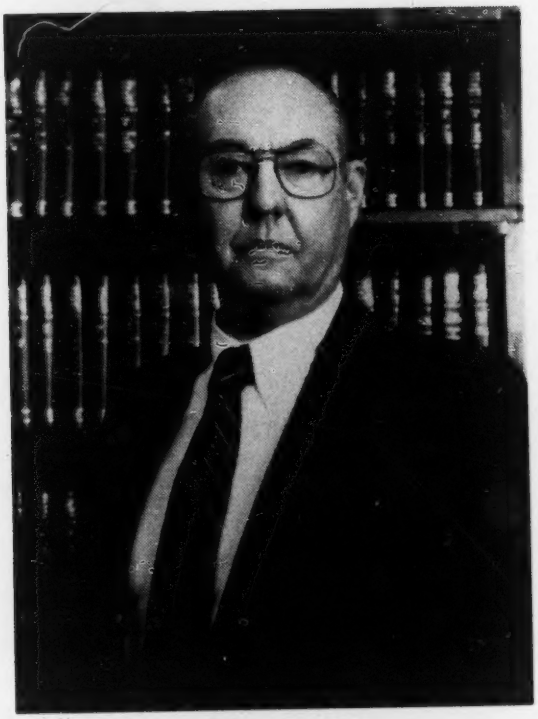
Motor Transportation Department inspectors are commissioned State Deputy Sheriffs and are charged with the enforcement of the various laws and rules and regulations. They work closely with motor carriers in the field to ensure compliance with the law, and maintain communication with those involved in the industry. A variety of tasks are performed in addition to the enforcement activities to promote the smooth and safe operation of the transportation industry. Regular contacts with motor carriers in their assigned areas are required. Laws and procedures are explained, vehicles are checked, customer complaints are investigated, books and documents are examined. Inspectors furnish forms and serve papers for court proceedings, testify at hearings, make arrests, hold road checks and write reports.

Inspectors maintain close contact with law enforcement agencies; Department of Roads district offices, permit departments; scales; and carrier enforement operations. As representatives of the State of Nebraska they are encouraged to be of service to the public and assist with emergencies encountered along the road. Additionally, inspectors work closely with and provide service to the Warehousing and Rate Departments and other departments of the Public Service Commission.

The Motor Transportation Department has limited responsibility for air carriers operating in Nebraska. This department administers the Itinerant Merchant Law, Sections 75-323 to 75-335 R.R.S 1943.

During this biennial period 325 applications for certificates of public convenience and necessity and contract carrier permits were processed, and some 685 orders were written. Approximately one thousand motor carriers are currently holding certificates of public convenience and necessity or permits authorizing operation in intrastate commerce. Some six thousand five hundred plates are issued annually. Fees collected for intrastate operations for fiscal year 1984/1985 amounted to approximately $185,000.00 and for fiscal year 1985/1986 approximately $195,000.00 was collected.

Approximately two thousand Nebraska registered motor carriers and sixteen thousand foreign registered motor carriers are registered as operating in interstate commerce through Nebraska. Fees generated by interstate operations for fiscal year 1984/1985 amounted to approximately $655,000.00 and a similar amount was collected for fiscal year 1985/1986.



Wayne Rowe
Director, Motor Transportation

Seated: Teresa Rezac and Judy Freeman. Standing: Marilyn Manske and Debbie Barkley.

Motor Transportation Inspectors

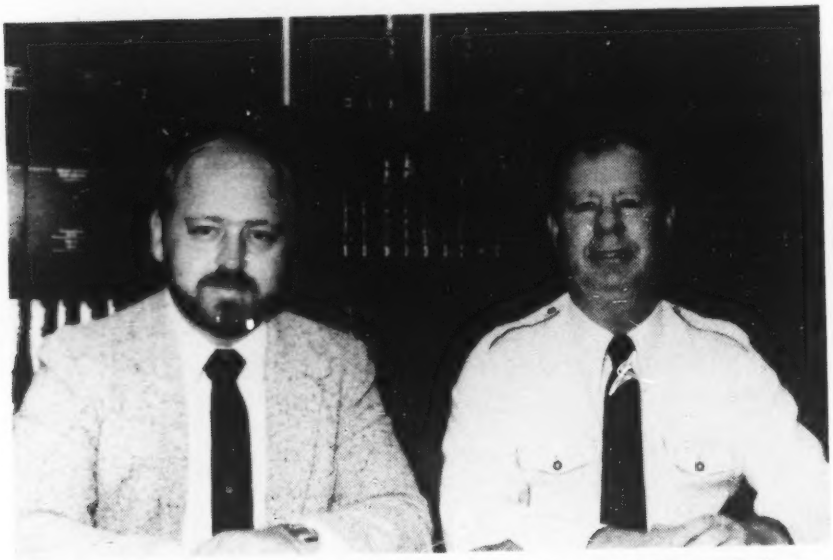
Motor Transportation Inspectors. Back Row: Darrell Manning, E. J. Houfek, Oliver Smith. Front Row: Mike Janulewicz; Bob Spires; Wayne Rowe, Director; Jack Mahoney.

Railroad Track Inspection Program

Railroad track safety inspections in Nebraska are a joint program of the Public Service Commission and the Federal Railroad Administration. Designated tracks for inspection by each organization are presently being followed to avoid duplication of inspection efforts.

Railroad Freight Car Safety Program

Railroad freight car safety inspections are a joint program of the Public Service Commission and the Federal Railroad Administration. Investigations include railroad car inspections, derailments, and car-train fatalities in the State of Nebraska. Public complains to be investigated are the responsibility of this department also.



L to R: Charles Faulder, RR Freight Car inspector and Wilburn Colley, Track Inspector.

Statement of Receipts

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1985

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION—RATES & SERVICES—ENGINEERING			
Applications-Rate	$ 880.00		
Applications-Engineering	775.00		
Applications-General Administration	660.00		
Tariffs	1,246.00		
Hearing Fees	3,051.00		
FRA Program	61,532.00		
Transcripts	2,959.00		
Copies	3,445.00		
Sale of Surplus Property	280.00		
Miscellaneous Adjustment	125.00		$ 74,953.00
GRAIN WAREHOUSE—MOISTURE TESTING—GRAIN BUYERS & SELLERS			
New Licenses	$ 83,322.00		
Change of Licenses	1,515.00		
Increased Storage	2,443.00		
Applications-Special Rates and Charges	5.00		
Receipt Books	8,960.00		
Commodity Credit Corp. Examinations	190,621.00		
Requested Examinations	5,134.00		
Hearing Fees	50.00		
Moisture Testing	10,980.00		
Grain Buyer Licenses	7,770.00		
Grain Buyer Registrations	12,480.00		
Grain Buyer Change of Registrations	480.00	$323,760.00	
PUBLIC WAREHOUSE			
New Licenses	$ 7,365.00		
Change of Licenses	60.00		
Receipt Books	249.00		
Receipt Filing Fee	22.00	$ 7,696.00	$ 331,456.00
COMMUNICATIONS			
Security Fees	$ 2,520.00		
Applications	1,670.00		
Hearing Fees	525.00		$ 4,715.00
MOTOR TRANSPORTATION			
Itinerant Merchant Taxes & Licenses	$ 460.00		
PSC - Bus	11,827.00		
PSC - Truck	159,766.00		
Application Fees - Bus	1,635.00		
Application Fees - Truck	11,005.00		
Trip Leases	239.00		
Lost Plates	9.00		
Interstate Carrier Stamps	575,914.00		
Interstate Carrier Registrations	82,575.00		843,430.00
			$1,254,554.00

Statement of Expenditure

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1985

BY ORGANIZATION UNIT

Salaries of the Commissioners	$ 146,844.00
Expenses of the Commissioners	13,998.00
General Administration (includes Rates & Services)	368,772.00
Grain Warehouse & Moisture Testing	559,623.00
Public Warehouse	27,076.00
Communications	105,393.00
Motor Transportation	247,270.00
Engineering	33,646.00
Track Inspection	34,867.00
Freight Car Inspection	34,977.00
	$1,572,466.00

BY JOB CLASSIFICATION

Personal Services: Commissioners	$ 146,844.00	
All other	1,063,770.00	$1,210,614.00
Operating Expenses (includes supplies and materials)		213,043.00
Travel		61,967.00
Capital Outlays		86,842.00
		$1,572,466.00

Statement of Receipts

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1986

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION—RATES & SERVICES—ENGINEERING			
Applications-Rate	$ 996.00		
Applications-Engineering	546.00		
Applications-General Administration	1,026.00		
Tariffs	479.00		
Hearing Fees	1,190.00		
FRA Program	20,454.00		
Transcripts	922.00		
Copies	2,221.00		
Sale of Surplus Property	919.00		
Miscellaneous Adjustment	240.00		$ 28,993.00
GRAIN WAREHOUSE—MOISTURE TESTING—GRAIN BUYERS & SELLERS			
New Licenses	$ 73,793.00		
Change of Licenses	2,940.00		
Increased Storage	3,631.00		
Applications-Special Rates and Charges	10.00		
Receipt Books	25,940.00		
Commodity Credit Corp. Examinations	186,661.00		
Requested Examinations	4,214.00		
Hearing Fees	100.00		
Moisture Testing	11,590.00		
Grain Buyer Licenses	6,360.00		
Grain Buyer Registrations	11,300.00		
Grain Buyer Change of License	160.00	$326,699.00	
PUBLIC WAREHOUSE			
New Licenses	$ 6,210.00		
Change of Licenses	75.00		
Receipt Books	197.00		
Receipt Filing Fee	17.00	$ 6,499.00	333,198.00
COMMUNICATIONS			
Security Fees	$ 3,988.00		
Applications	1,330.00		
Hearing Fees	750.00		$ 6,068.00
MOTOR TRANSPORTATION			
Itinerant Merchant Taxes & Licenses	$	100.00	
PSC - Bus	24,999.00		
PSC - Truck	160,688.00		
Application Fees - Bus	1,155.00		
Application Fees - Truck	9,470.00		
Trip Leases	73.00		
Lost Plates	21.00		
Hearing Fees	300.00		
Interstate Carrier Stamps	581,658.00		
Interstate Carrier Registrations	73,275.00		851,739.00
			$1,219.998.00

Statement of Expenditure

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1986

BY ORGANIZATION UNIT

Salaries of the Commissioners	$ 157,957.00
Expenses of the Commissioners	16,866.00
General Administration (includes Rates & Services)	308,233.00
Grain Warehouse & Moisture Testing	608,086.00
Public Warehouse	27,924.00
Communications	117,879.00
Motor Transportation	246,149.00
Engineering	36,785.00
Track Inspection	35,618.00
Freight Car Inspection	36,604.00
	$1,592,101.00

BY JOB CLASSIFICATION

Personal Services: Commissioners	$ 157,957.00	
All other	1,115,733.00	$1,273,690.00
Operating Expenses (includes supplies and materials)		196,652.00
Travel		67,087.00
Capital Outlays		54,672.00
		$1,592,101.00

Rates and Services Statistical Summary

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1985

APPLICATIONS

	RAIL	MOTOR	CAB	BUS	LIMO	TOTAL
On hand July 1, 1984	1	0	3	3	4	11
Received	2	74	6	8	12	102
	3	74	9	11	16	113
Disposition						
Granted	3	55	8	10	14	90
Denied	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dismissed	0	4	1	1	1	7
	3	59	9	11	15	97
Carry over	0	14	0	0	1	15

OTHER STATISTICAL INFORMATION

Hearings	8
ICC Proceedings	28
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Rates and Services Statistical Summary

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1986

APPLICATIONS

	RAIL	MOTOR	CAB	BUS	LIMO	TOTAL
On hand July 1, 1985	0	14	0	0	1	15
Received	3	64	6	6	10	89
	3	78	6	6	11	104
Disposition						
Granted	2	66	4	6	10	88
Denied	0	3	0	0	0	3
Dismissed	0	8	0	0	0	8
	2	77	4	6	10	99
Carry over	1	5	2	0	1	9

OTHER STATISTICAL INFORMATION

Hearings	8
ICC Proceedings	30
Rate Studies and quotations	50

Warehouse Statistical Summaries

The following tables show the growth of Grain Warehousing from 1952 until June 30, 1986. In 1934 there were 72 licensed warehouses in Nebraska. By 1941 there were 448 licensed warehouses. From 1941 until 1951, the number increased to 810. During the same periods, an average of 453 inspections were performed each year.

YEAR	LICENSED CAPACITY	NUMBER OF WAREHOUSES LICENSED*	NUMBER OF WAREHOUSES INSPECTED*
1952	39,750,000 bu.	838	1,431
1953	53,630,000 bu.	978	1,313
1954	76,296,000 bu.	1,102	1,327
1955	82,147,000 bu.	1,278	2,240
1956	128,571,000 bu.	1,618	3,218
1957	181,706,514 bu.	1,802	3,615
1958	258,495,219 bu.	2,093	4,055
1959	308,741,456 bu.	2,340	4,473
1960	342,313,904 bu.	2,422	5,320
1961	377,195,770 bu.	2,534	5,111
1962	380,308,777 bu.	2,532	4,507
1963	374,413,232 bu.	2,500	5,183
1964	369,959,341 bu.	2,478	5,711
1965	361,806,087 bu.	2,467	5,262
1966	357,799,198 bu.	2,424	5,132
1967	344,920,019 bu.	2,334	4,603
1968	326,499,829 bu.	2,296	4,035
1969	324,143,420 bu.	2,316	3,918
1970	324,525,047 bu.	2,292	4,212
1971	330,900,099 bu.	2,297	4,186
1972	331,606,817 bu.	2,313	4,496
1973	331,904,370 bu.	2,307	3,990
1974	328,964,238 bu.	2,349	3,767
1975	288,421,792 bu.	2,190	4,050
1976	269,426,204 bu.	659	1,413
1977	277,934,684 bu.	604	1,103
1978	291,069,008 bu.	570	1,110
1979	302,461,041 bu.	520	1,031
1980	309,661,471 bu.	463	819
1981	314,837,656 bu.	479	803
1982	387,185,413 bu.	460	1,244
1983	410,185,478 bu.	474	922
1984	398,894,866 bu.	472	761
1985	379,083,993 bu.	509	819
1986	420,281,224 bu.	397	921

*Information through 1975, inclusive, is given for licensed facilities which count such things as the individual tanks. Starting in 1976, the information is given for warehouses only, which is a grouping of the individual facilities.

Public Grain Warehouse

TOTALS FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30.	1985	1986
No. of receipts registered	23,070	60,761
No. of receipts cancelled	17,138	27,137
No. of applications filed	537	438
No. of licenses issued	509	397
No. of applications denied	NONE	NONE
No. of facilities licensed	2,255	2,399
No. of bushels of licensed capacity	379,083,993	420,281,224
No. of licenses cancelled	10	17
No. of changes in trade name	NONE	NONE
Amount of bonds filed	79,045,000	87,213,400
Amount of insurance filed	7,792,334,057	7,612,243,829
Rate hearings held	3	5
General rate requests granted	2	3
Special rate requests granted	1	2
Special rate requests denied	NONE	NONE
Show cause hearings	7	16
License suspensions	4	4
Licenses revoked	3	2
Complaints Dismissed as Satisfied	7	10
Special hearings—Inc. & Temporary Stg	6	10
—New License	2	1
Rule and Regulation Hearings	2	NONE
INSPECTIONS:		
Specials	62	61
Originals*	86	223
Subsequent Examinations**	671	637

Public Warehouse

TOTALS FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30.	1985	1986
No. of receipts registered	61	41
No. of receipts cancelled	104	64
No. of applications filed	105	92
No. of warehouses licensed	98	90
No. of applications denied	NONE	NONE
No. of licenses cancelled during year	1	NONE
Amount of bonds filed	2,591,100	3,047,800
Amount of legal liability insurance filed	619,350,000	12,746,000
Show cause orders issued	NONE	4
INSPECTIONS:		
Specials	5	7
Business Calls	9	34
Originals*	24	29
Subsequent Examinations**	243	194

*(Inspections of new facilities)
**(Routine examinations - all warehouses are audited once or more yearly)

Grain Dealers

TOTALS FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30,	1985	1986
Amount of security filed 10,652,000	7,111,000	
Applications for license filed	402	269
Licenses issued	391	199
Number of trucks registered	941	532
Applications for license not granted for failure to post security	4	21
Applications for registration of additional trucks	3	5
Applications for registration of additional trucks not granted for failure to post security	NONE	NONE
Complaints and Applications for order to show cause	10	12
Orders to show cause and orders for hearings	10	2
License cancellations	36	2
Cancellation of registered trucks	26	8

Moisture Testing

TOTALS FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30,	1985	1986
No. of moisture testers inspected	975	1,113
No. of moisture testers rejected	76	59
No. of moisture testers re-inspected	37	48

Engineering Statistical Summary

JULY 1, 1984 TO JUNE 30, 1986

Applications for construction of electrical lines:	
On hand at beginning of period	3
Received	158
To be accounted for	161
Action taken on	151
On hand at end of period	10
Change in Authority:	
Extension of Time	3
Cancellation of Authority	6
Number of miles applied for and approved:	
69,000 volts and over	106.34
Over 15,000 volts to 69,000 volts	22.62
15,000 volts and below	279.05
Total miles	408.01
Turnaround time in number of working days:	
All applications	12.14
Filed complete (all waivers included, correct fee, etc.)	9.49
Current goal	10.00
Transmission line filings pursuant to Nebraska Statute 75-720:	
Received	154
Applications for permission to modify railroad clearance installations:	
On hand at beginning of period	0
Received	1
To be accounted for	1
Approved	1
On hand at end of period	0

Motor Transportation Statistical Report

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1985

APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

On hand at beginning of year		27
Received, including adjustments		176
Total to be accounted for		203
Disposition:		
Granted	151	
Denied	4	
Dismissed	22	177
On hand at end of year		26

ACTION TAKEN ON CERTIFICATES

Show Cause	
Suspensions Ordered (Requested by Applicant)	12
Revocations:	
Complaint Sustained	28
Request of Applicant	43
Transfer	35
Total	106

OTHER TRANSACTIONS

Orders Written	355	
Insurance Filings	731	
Departmental Complaints:		
On hand at beginning of year	39	
Filed, including adjustments	86	
Total to be accounted for		125
Disposition:		
Dismissed	56	
Sustained	28	84
On hand at end of year		41
Supreme Court		
Balance Carried Forward	4	
Filed	2	
Decided	2	
Balance Forward	4	

Motor Transportation Statistical Report

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1986

APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

On hand at beginning of year		26
Received, including adjustments		149
Total to be accounted for		175
Disposition:		
Granted	123	
Denied	2	
Dismissed	15	140
On hand at end of year		35

ACTION TAKEN ON CERTIFICATES

Show Cause	
Suspensions Ordered (Requested by Applicant)	31
Revocations:	
Complaint Sustained	25
Request of Applicant	39
Transfer	35
Total	99

OTHER TRANSACTIONS

Orders Written	330	
Insurance Filings	827	
Departmental Complaints:		
On hand at beginning of year	41	
Filed, including adjustments	115	
Total to be accounted for		156
Disposition:		
Dismissed	88	
Sustained	25	113
On hand at end of year		41
Supreme Court		
Balance Carried Forward	4	
Filed	1	
Decided	3	
Balance Forward	2	

Railroads
Combined Balance Sheet (Note)

DECEMBER 31, 1984

Dollars in Thousands	*C.& N.W.*	*B.N.*	*M.P.*	*U.P.*	*Total*
Assets:					
Current Assets	242,277	1,330,942	470,889	567,351	2,611,459
Special Funds & Investments and Advances	90,689	340,642	177,380	228,483	837,194
Property used in other than Carrier Operations (less depreciation)	6,815	77,314	14,552	11,897	110,578
Other Assets & Deferred Debits	11,725	55,584	18,855	23,510	109,674
Road & Equipment					
Road	813,010. .	6,185,367	2,138,126	2,733,090	11,869,593
Equipment	431,211	1,835,685	1,886,737	2,035,382	6,189,015
Unallocated Items	74,520	92,899	43,069	9,278	219,766
Accumulated Depreciation & Amortization	(352,959)	(2,488,210)	(1,163,655)	(1,662,073)	(5,66 6,897)
Total Assets	1,317,288	7,430,223	3,585,953	3,946,918	16,280,382
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity:					
Current Liabilities	241,780	1,011,151	625,848	452,655	2,331,434
Non Current Liabilities	617,317	2,962,583	1,834,634	1,592,340	7,006,874
Stockholders' Equity					
Common Stock	4,510	951,639	1	224,287	1,180,437
Preferred Stock	144,191			74,843	219,034
Discount on Capital Stock	-	-	-	-	-
Additional Capital	79,613	49,048	205,342	35,517	369,520
Appropriated Retained Earnings	-	7,393	1,583		8,976
Unappropriated Retained Earnings	231,296	2,448,409	918,545	1,567,276	5,165,526
Less: Treasury Stock	(1,419)	-	-	-	(1,419)
Total Liabilities & Stockholders' Equity	1,317,288	7,430,223	3,585,953	3,946,918	16,280,382

Note: All amounts shown pertain to the entire system of each railroad listed.

Railroads
Combined Balance Sheet (Note)

DECEMBER 31, 1985

Dollars in Thousands	*C.& N.W.*	*B.N.*	*M.P.*	*U.P.*	*Total*
Assets:					
Current Assets	212,754	1,406,929	558,900	649,276	2,827,859
Special Funds & Investments and Advances	45,520	141,552	132,261	292,679	612,012
Property used in other than Carrier Operations (less depreciation)	6,764	74,434	13,819	11,843	106,860
Other Assets & Deferred Debits	12,547	50,550	24,197	31,630	118,924
Road & Equipment					
Road	863,988	6,500,391	2,316,191	2,881,433	12,562,003
Equipment	413,229	1,825,528	1,950,270	1,917,843	6,106,870
Unallocated Items	66,291	53,238	59,538	4,627	183,694
Accumulated Depreciation & Amortization	(372,307)	(2,365,954)	(1,180,498)	(1,658,986)	(5,577,745)
Total Assets	1,248,786	7,686,668	3,874,678	4,130,345	16,940,477
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity:					
Current Liabilities	267,114	962,586	871,454	487,499	2,588,653
Non Current Liabilities	549,023	3,104,583	1,872,536	1,627,225	7,153,367
Stockholders' Equity					
Common Stock		951,639	1	224,287	1,175,927
Preferred Stock	143,961				143,961
Discount on Capital Stock					
Additional Capital	83,489	49,048	205,342	110,360	448,239
Appropriated Retained Earnings		7,393	7,654		15,047
Unappropriated Retained Earnings	205,199	2,611,419	917,691	1,680,974	5,415,283
Less: Treasury Stock					
Total Liabilities & Stockholders' Equity	1,248,786	7,686,668	3,874,678	4,130,345	16,940,477

Note: All amounts shown pertain to the entire system of each railroad listed.

Railroads
Statement of Revenues and Expenses in Nebraska (Note)

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1984

Dollars in Thousands	*C.& N.W.*	*B.N.*	*M.P.*	*U.P.*	*Total*
Revenue:					
Freight	30,219	702,030	7,169	511,971	1,251,389
Passenger				14	14
Passenger-Related					
Switching	923	3,349	276	3,392	7,940
Demurrage	124	1,190	185	574	2,073
Incidental	53	550	2	661	1,266
Joint Facility (Net)				89	89
Government Transfers	29				29
Total Revenues	31,348	707,119	7,632	516,701	1,262,800
% of Total System Revenues	3.6%	15.9%	.43%	26.9%	
Expenses:					
Maintenance of Way & Structure	4,994	55,354	6,165	77,146	143,659
Maintenance of Equipment	8,013	118,370	2,673	110,839	239,895
Transportation	12,902	223,279	7,308	204,913	448,402
General and Administrative	2,567	56,622	2,630	51,701	113,520
Total Expenses	28,476	453,625	18,776	444,599	945,476
Percent of Total System Expenses	3.5%	13.0%	1.17%	25.8%	
Operating Ratio	90.8%	64.2%	246.0%	86.0%	
Revenues Per Train Mile	$45.83	$206.94	$13.98	$204.88	
Expenses Per Train Mile	$41.63	$132.76	$34.39	$176.29	

Note: No calculation has been made of Net Income attributable to the Nebraska portion of business conducted by these railroad companies.

Railroads
Statement of Revenues and Expenses in Nebraska (Note)

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1985

Dollars in Thousands	*C.& N.W.*	*B.N.*	*M.P.*	*U.P.*	*Total*
Revenue:					
Freight	26,518	646,772	6,851	537,062	1,217,203
Passenger					
Passenger-Related					
Switching	906	2,587	281	5,046	8,820
Demurrage	76	752	35	560	1,423
Incidental	54	780	(38)	64	860
Joint Facility (Net)		(2)		3	1
Government Transfers	63				63
Total Revenues	27,617	650,889	7,129	542,735	1,228,370
% of Total System Revenues	3.4%	16.1%	.43%	28.6%	
Expenses:					
Maintenance of Way & Structure	5,314	55,709	1,432	81,516	143,971
Maintenance of Equipment	8,081	119,059	2,422	107,015	236,577
Transportation	12,476	215,071	4,365	221,643	453,555
General and Administrative	3,879	56,552	1,203	58,592	120,226
Total Expenses	29,750	446,391	9,422	468,766	954,329
Percent of Total System Expenses	3.6%	13.7%	.6%	28.6%	
Operating Ratio	92.8%	68.6%	132.2%	86.4%	
Revenues Per Train Mile	$61.75	$189.54	$15.53	$221.71	
Expenses Per Train Mile	$66.51	$129.99	$20.53	$191.49	

Note: No calculation has been made of Net Income attributable to the Nebraska portion of business conducted by these railroad companies.

Railroads
Freight Statistics Nebraska

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1984

	C.& N.W.	B.N.	U.P.	Total
Originating & Terminating in Nebraska				
Tons Carried	365,268	1,368,246	531,320	2,264,834
Ton Miles	100,503,478	206,232,447	106,053,000	412,788,925
Earnings	3,264,835	10,379,728	5,365,815	19,010,378
Originating but not Terminating in Nebraska				
Tons Carried	868,776	10,101,052	4,233,794	15,203,622
Ton Miles	148,564,820	2,003,820,791	1,580,335,000	3,732,720,611
Earnings	3,526,417	41,544,780	39,484,777	84,555,973
Terminating but not Originating in Nebraska				
Tons Carried	712,677	20,428,513	1,702,426	22,843,616
Ton Miles	48,951,792	2,665,453,458	635,459,000	3,349,864,250
Earnings	2,153,973	106,122,355	15,876,994	124,154,321
Passing through Nebraska				
Tons Carried	13,589,845	87,433,671	48,384,979	149,408,495
Ton Miles	656,599,049	36,199,811,881	18,060,510,000	54,916,920,930
Earnings	21,274,104	543,983,259	451,243,015	1,016,500,378
Total Nebraska Business				
Tons Carried	15,536,566	119,331,482	54,852,519	189,720,567
Ton Miles	954,619,139	41,075,318,577	20,382,357,000	62,412,294,716
Earnings	30,219,329	702,030,122	511,970,601	1,244,220,052
Miles Per Revenue Ton	61.4	344.21	371.59	
Revenue Per Ton	$1.95	$5.88	$9.33	
Revenue Per Ton Mile	$ .03	$0.17	$ .03	

Railroads
Freight Statistics Nebraska

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1985

	C.& N.W.	B.N.	U.P.	Total
Originating & Terminating in Nebraska				
Tons Carried	172,340	1,314,604	378,341	1,865,285
Ton Miles	32,327,555	152,492,811	42,663,000	227,483,366
Earnings	1,222,351	8,607,508	2,786,399	12,616,258
Originating but not Terminating in Nebraska				
Tons Carried	997,325	6,674,146	4,947,079	12,618,550
Ton Miles	119,326,320	1,461,495,715	1,906,126,000	3,486,948,035
Earnings	3,010,059	29,778,551	38,975,388	71,763,998
Terminating but not Originating in Nebraska				
Tons Carried	844,027	22,038,394	1,705,538	24,587,959
Ton Miles	46,527,014	3,579,531,818	657,150,000	4,283,208,832
Earnings	20,319,586	489,704,417	481,862,956	991,886,959
Passing through Nebraska				
Tons Carried	14,542,321	80,540,567	61,162,033	156,244,921
Ton Miles	682,753,660	32,329,213,396	23,565,941,000	56,577,908,056
Earnings	20,319,586	489,704,417	481,862,956	991,886,959
Total Nebraska Business				
Tons Carried	16,556,013	110,567,711	68,192,991	195,316,715
Ton Miles	880,934,549	37,522,733,740	26,171,880,000	64,575,548,289
Earnings	26,518,616	646,772,031	537,061,769	1,210,352,416
Miles Per Revenue Ton	53.2	339.37	383.80	
Revenue Per Ton	$1.60	$5.85	$7.88	
Revenue Per Ton Mile	$ .03	$ .02	$ .02	

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	C.& N.W.		B.N.		M.P.		U.P.		TOTAL	
	Car Loads	Tons	Car Loads	Tons	Car Loads	Tons	Car Loads	Tons	Car Loads	Tons
Farm Products	4,691	416,687	14,319	1,370,266	71	5,638	4,269	415,358	23,350	2,207,949
Forest Products			3	169			14	758	17	927
Fresh Fish & Other Marine Products			1	50			4	203	5	253
Metallic Ores			6	352					6	352
Coal	247	24,790	57,363	5,746,960	731	67,325	10,217	979,816	68,558	6,818,891
Crude Petroleum, Natural Gas, & Natural Gasoline										
Non-Metallic Minerals, Except Fuels	34	2,614	5,796	396,475	867	81,427	874	75,645	7,571	556,161
Ordinance and Accessories							2	117	2	117
Food & Kindred Products	1,132	53,228	4,666	316,246	526	36,683	2,897	130,219	9,221	536,376
Tobacco Products										
Basic Textiles	1	16	1	16	26	390	7	110	35	532
Apparel & Other Finished Textile Products, Including Knit							4	21	4	21
Lumber & Wood Products, Except Furniture	381	21,492	1,067	58,253	77	4,717	1,175	58,540	2,700	143,002
Furniture & Fixtures	178	1,771	34	227	1	5	21	223	234	2,226
Pulp, Paper & Allied Products	271	16,230	957	54,705	722	41,053	2,545	134,054	4,495	246,048
Printed Matter					2	90	7	162	9	252
Chemicals & Allied Products	1,052	90,736	5,666	509,662	1,626	151,712	3,044	268,905	11,388	1,021,015
Petroleum & Coal Products	425	34,972	639	43,140	388	25,726	155	8,774	1,607	112,612
Rubber & Miscellaneous	8	173	8	258	11	57	19	202	46	690
Leather & Leather Products							1	82	1	82
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	449	31,472	861	70,685	466	43,593	148	10,330	1,924	156,080
Primary Metal Products	897	67,821	1,936	153,709	451	36,474	1,758	130,102	5,042	388,106
Fabr. Metal Products, Except Ordn. Mach. & Trans.	22	1,919	74	2,277	10	210	140	4,072	246	8,478
Machinery Except Electrical	11	217	67	1,366	2	120	46	1,273	126	2,976
Electrical Machinery, Equip. & Sales			14	329	53	832	89	1,253	156	2,414
Transportation Equipment	273	6,205	2,217	58,217	60	1,663	426	10,440	2,976	76,525
Instruments, Photo & Optical Goods, Watches & Clocks										
Miscellaneous Products of Manufacturing							2	27	2	27
Waste & Scrap Materials	2,156	158,776	61	2,944	15	826	2,424	148,333	4,656	310,879
Miscellaneous Freight Shipments	13	214	169	4,656	44	738	479	12,859	705	18,467
Containers, Shipping, Returned Empty	23	115	373	1,870	9	84	200	1,257	605	3,326
Freight Forwarder Traffic	2	60	4	68			42	743	48	871
Shipper's Association or Similar Traffic			49	869	17	267	673	10,872	739	12,008
Misc. Mixed Shipments Except Forwarder & Shipping Association	92	1,096	6,410	96,225	61	1,200	3,454	47,853	10,017	146,374
Total Car Load Traffic	12,358	930,610	102,761	8,889,994	6,236	500,830	35,136	2,452,603	156,491	12,774,037
Small Packaged Freight Shipments			1	3					1	3
Total Car Load & LCL Tons	12,358	930,610	102,762	8,889,997	6,236	500,830	35,136	2,452,603	156,492	12,774,040

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	C.& N.W.		B.N.		M.P.		U.P.		TOTAL	
	Car Loads	Tons	Car Loads	Tons	Car Loads	Tons	Car Loads	Tons	Car Loads	Tons
Farm Products	4,433	434,457	90,261	8,732,452	9,014	837,073	80,053	7,545,760	183,761	17,549,742
Forest Products										
Fresh Fish & Other Marine Products										
Metallic Ores							2	201	2	201
Coal	2,985	287,137	20	1,953					3,005	289,090
Crude Petroleum, Natural Gas, & Natural Gasoline							1	10	1	10
Non-Metallic Minerals, Except Fuels	4	280	4,233	288,848	876	82,529	889	84,884	6,002	456,541
Ordinance and Accessories							1	22	1	22
Food & Kindred Products	6,190	381,950	16,056	1,050,063	4,174	232,391	5,619	362,011	32,039	2,026,415
Tobacco Products										
Basic Textiles			1	22	1	34			2	56
Apparel & Other Finished Textile Products, Including Knit										
Lumber & Wood Products, Except Furniture	3	122	107	4,446			20	1,293	130	5,861
Furniture & Fixtures			2	20			1,224	23,334	1,226	23,354
Pulp, Paper & Allied Products	4	88	5	169	2	75	5	132	16	464
Printed Matter			94	1,880					94	1,880
Chemicals & Allied Products	243	21,101	4,126	354,715	363	32,377	487	44,415	5,219	452,608
Petroleum & Coal Products	6	206	38	1,065	19	523	176	4,144	239	5,938
Rubber & Miscellaneous			43	316	3	33	20	298	66	647
Leather & Leather Products										
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	4	209	1,896	127,922	295	28,180	17	627	2,208	156,938
Primary Metal Products	900	69,888	898	66,195	358	27,054	295	21,738	2,451	184,875
Fabr. Metal Products, Except Ordn. Mach. & Trans.	4	169	83	2,118			447	18,659	534	20,946
Machinery Except Electrical			37	822	6	194	3,281	70,264	3,324	71,280
Electrical Machinery, Equip. & Sales			48	480			55	1,499	103	1,979
Transportation Equipment	34	723	1,773	45,689	34	767	148	3,170	1,989	50,349
Instruments, Photo & Optical Goods, Watches & Clocks										
Miscellaneous Products of Manufacturing								(63)		(63)
Waste & Scrap Materials	107	6,783	940	57,344	423	19,667	1,930	100,819	3,400	184,613
Miscellaneous Freight Shipments	1	10	152	3,536	8	134	408	11,788	569	15,468
Containers, Shipping, Returned Empty	36	490	1,046	5,564	51	430	177	2,304	1,310	8,788
Freight Forwarder Traffic							41	762	41	762
Shipper's Association or Similar Traffic	1	18	128	1,813	1	20	1,608	23,388	1,738	25,239
Misc. Mixed Shipments Except Forwarder & Shipping Association	6	116	4,603	74,995	98	2,102	4,834	76,439	9,541	153,652
Total Car Load Traffic	14,961	1,203,747	126,590	10,822,427	15,726	1,263,583	101,738	8,397,898	259,011	21,687,655
Small Packaged Freight Shipments			1	3					1	3
Total Car Load & LCL Tons	14,961	1,203,747	126,591	10,822,430	15,726	1,263,583	101,738	8,397,898	259,012	21,687,658

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	C.& N.W.		B.N.		M.P.		U.P.		TOTAL	
	Car Loads	Tons	Car Loads	Tons	Car Loads	Tons	Car Loads	Tons	Car Loads	Tons
Farm Products	2,533	212,607	11,376	1,080,887	43	4,051	3,829	318,096	17,781	1,615,641
Forest Products							10	559	10	559
Fresh Fish & Other Marine Products			2	60			13	284	15	344
Metallic Ores			6	300					6	300
Coal	39	3,785	63,093	6,381,634	480	44,663	4,634	444,304	68,246	6,874,386
Crude Petroleum, Natural Gas, & Natural Gasoline										
Non-Metallic Minerals, Except Fuels	20	1,309	7,910	533,075	9	643	561	24,834	8,500	559,861
Ordinance and Accessories			1	46			16	736	17	782
Food & Kindred Products	1,362	77,050	4,421	287,526	499	30,845	5,949	227,259	12,231	622,680
Tobacco Products										
Basic Textiles			2	14	8	107	27	425	37	546
Apparel & Other Finished Textile Products, Including Knit							3	(17)	3	(17)
Lumber & Wood Products, Except Furniture	341	18,828	1,317	67,940	103	6,842	1,365	55,870	3,126	149,480
Furniture & Fixtures	158	1,582	27	219	1	9	16	156	202	1,966
Pulp, Paper & Allied Products	228	11,174	1,356	77,943	429	25,577	2,667	119,572	4,680	234,266
Printed Matter							1	18	1	18
Chemicals & Allied Products	1,096	96,506	5,246	462,458	1,522	146,752	2,837	217,107	10,701	922,823
Petroleum & Coal Products	666	58,002	451	29,506	302	22,465	146	9,962	1,565	119,935
Rubber & Miscellaneous	3	35	19	343	3	30	46	713	71	1,121
Leather & Leather Products										
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	387	26,679	1,703	137,495	360	34,760	111	7,295	2,561	206,229
Primary Metal Products	513	39,954	1,212	98,010	185	15,259	1,485	111,752	3,395	264,975
Fabr. Metal Products, Except Ordn. Mach. & Trans.	11	653	33	1,101	3	83	176	2,973	223	4,810
Machinery Except Electrical	4	89	26	732	3	51	41	894	74	1,766
Electrical Machinery, Equip. & Sales			11	171	46	685	224	2,365	281	3,221
Transportation Equipment	422	9,328	1,688	45,120	67	1,700	537	10,829	2,714	66,977
Instruments, Photo & Optical Goods, Watches & Clocks							51	629	51	629
Miscellaneous Products of Manufacturing							3	48	3	48
Waste & Scrap Materials	2,082	148,564	40	2,515	16	1,033	1,727	109,981	3,865	262,093
Miscellaneous Freight Shipments	291	7,178	88	2,086	2	48	62	803	443	10,115
Containers, Shipping, Returned Empty	130	656	1,175	5,716	5	36	222	1,604	1,532	8,012
Freight Forwarder Traffic							631	7,014	631	7,014
Shipper's Association or Similar Traffic			19	293			2,800	41,795	2,819	42,088
Misc. Mixed Shipments Except Forwarder & Shipping Association	15,480	232,166	6,413	99,299	60	1,442	9,385	122,872	31,338	455,779
Total Car Load Traffic	26,000	949,622	107,635	9,314,489	4,146	337,081	39,575	1,840,732	177,356	12,441,924
Small Packaged Freight Shipments										
Total Car Load & LCL Tons	26,000	949,622	107,635	9,314,489	4,146	337,081	39,575	1,840,732	177,356	12,441,924
*U.S. Mail Contract Rates							234	3,477	234	3,477

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	C.& N.W.		B.N.		M.P.		U.P.		TOTAL	
	Car Loads	Tons	Car Loads	Tons	Car Loads	Tons	Car Loads	Tons	Car Loads	Tons
Farm Products	2,548	248,557	53,804	5,202,720	7,610	719,662	64,707	6,077,156	128,669	12,248,095
Forest Products										
Fresh Fish & Other Marine Products										
Metallic Ores										
Coal	1,896	189,876	7	694			1	90	1,904	190,660
Crude Petroleum, Natural Gas, & Natural Gasoline										
Non-Metallic Minerals, Except Fuels	1	50	6,733	454,009	46	4,445	39	3,786	6,819	462,290
Ordinance and Accessories			3	138			11	492	14	630
Food & Kindred Products	5,719	370,049	18,895	1,192,326	3,783	187,597	6,960	438,933	35,357	2,188,905
Tobacco Products										
Basic Textiles			2	11					2	11
Apparel & Other Finished Textile Products, Including Knit			1	18					1	18
Lumber & Wood Products, Except Furniture	20	1,295	137	5,106	13	702	17	1,017	187	8,120
Furniture & Fixtures	3	16	58	475	1	21	1,352	23,802	1,414	24,314
Pulp, Paper & Allied Products	5	334	330	6,690	1	56	9	543	345	7,623
Printed Matter			21	423			1	76	22	499
Chemicals & Allied Products	565	47,534	4,053	351,697	425	36,398	432	34,625	5,475	470,254
Petroleum & Coal Products	5	127	28	804	40	923	129	3,469	202	5,323
Rubber & Miscellaneous			274	3,091	2	55	6	173	282	3,319
Leather & Leather Products										
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	4	318	2,239	165,837	1,065	105,195	5	254	3,313	271,604
Primary Metal Products	903	73,896	792	43,001	296	22,333	235	15,872	2,226	155,102
Fabr. Metal Products, Except Ordn. Mach. & Trans.	1	46	198	4,621			20	705	219	5,372
Machinery Except Electrical	1	26	373	4,403	2	51	472	11,062	848	15,542
Electrical Machinery, Equip. & Sales			210	2,366	2	21	27	480	239	2,867
Transportation Equipment	88	1,774	1,383	22,026	100	1,524	1,903	38,571	3,474	63,895
Instruments, Photo & Optical Goods, Watches & Clocks			1	8					1	8
Miscellaneous Products of Manufacturing			44	485	1	20	13	180	58	685
Waste & Scrap Materials	149	10,531	763	46,103	570	10,144	1,409	79,968	2,891	146,746
Miscellaneous Freight Shipments	1	15	352	9,542	1	20	300	3,589	654	13,166
Containers, Shipping, Returned Empty	945	5,266	1,581	8,015	86	580	302	3,475	2,914	17,336
Freight Forwarder Traffic	1	17	1	24			7,491	109,220	7,493	109,261
Shipper's Association or Similar Traffic					5	84	3,488	45,862	3,493	45,946
Misc. Mixed Shipments Except Forwarder & Shipping Association	13,027	195,652	3,988	59,517	85	1,768	18,093	256,779	35,193	513,716
Total Car Load Traffic	25,917	1,145,907	96,271	7,584,150	14,134	1,091,599	107,422	7,150,179	243,744	16,971,835
Small Packaged Freight Shipments										
Total Car Load & LCL Tons	25,917	1,145,907	96,271	7,584,150	14,134	1,091,599	107,422	7,150,179	243,744	16,971,835
*US Mail Contract Rates	35	528							35	528

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	Arapahoe Tel. Co.	*Arlington Tel. Co.*	*Benkelman Tel. Co.*	*Blair Tel. Co.*	*Cambridge Tel. Co.*
BALANCE SHEET (000)					
Telephone Plant	$ 3,065	$ 2,218	$ 4,112	$ 8,779	$ 918
Depreciation Reserve	772	544	1,093	3,550	458
Net Telephone Plant	2,293	1,674	3,019	5,229	460
Investments and Funds	600	338	1,335	196	
Current Assets	588	0	1,263	858	168
Prepayments & Deferred Charges	34	108	7	16	13
Total Assets	$ 3,515	$ 2,120	$ 4,289	$ 7,438	$ 837
Capital Stock	19	47	95	61	28
Surplus	1,189	834	959	2,088	614
Total Equity	1,208	881	1,054	2,149	642
Long Term Debt	1,956	912	2,764	4,540	161
Current & Accrued Liabilities	72	42	88	160	34
Deferred Credits	279	285	383	589	
Total Liabilities & Equity	$ 3,515	$ 2,120	$ 4,289	$ 7,438	$ 837
INCOME STATEMENT (000)					
Local Service Revenues	$ 149	$ 127	$ 171	$ 1,034	$ 112
Toll Service Revenues	573	334	703	2,185	275
Miscellaneous Revenues	18	9	25	88	23
Uncollectible Revenues	(2)	(2)	(1)	(16)	(3)
Total Operating Revenues	738	468	898	3,291	407
Maintenance	113	69	156	610	92
Depreciation & Amortization	180	70	192	639	88
Traffic	4	2	4	140	
Commercial	14	34	27	175	
Gen. Office Salary & Expense	173	102	212	614	104
Other Operating Expense	81	0	132	355	38
Total Operating Expense	565	277	723	2,533	322
Operating Taxes	70	83	197	284	7
Net Operating Income	103	108	(22)	474	78
Miscellaneous Income	45	4	143	107	(30)
Fixed Charges	49	54	56	335	3
Net Income	$ 99	$ 58	$ 65	$ 246	$ 45
Access Lines	1,042	850	1,121	4,536	1,184
Stockholders	7	4	2	6	50
Preferred Shares		5,500			
Par Value		$ 5			
Common Shares	189	4,929	950	1,218	1,134
Par Value	$ 100	$ 5	$ 100	$ 50	$ 25

Clarks Tel. Co.	Consolidated Tel. Co.	Consolidated Telco Inc.	Continental Tel. Co. of Neb.	Cozad Tel. Co.	Craig Tel. Co.	Curtis Tel. Co.	Dalton Tel. Co.	Diller Tel. Co.
$2,041	$7,474	$ 3,037	$22,807	$4,769	$424	$2,870	$3,794	$2,519
1,172	2,522	1,521	5,836	1,502	211	901	550	759
869	4,952	1,516	16,971	3,267	213	1,969	3,244	1,760
160	8	25	297	227	1	342	14	128
706	436	1,464	2,702	1,445	437	603	578	639
152		3	107	36	10	22	28	135
$1,887	$5,396	$ 3,008	$20,077	$4,975	$661	$2,936	$3,864	$2,662
14	10	100	982	323	5	45	15	19
629	2,132	769	5,309	1,405	369	876	615	678
643	2,142	869	6,291	1,728	374	921	630	697
1,076	1,767	1,671	8,740	2,727	267	1,764	2,995	1,735
45	484	277	1,013	101	20	34	239	45
123	1,003	191	4,033	419		217		185
$1,887	$5,396	$ 3,008	$20,077	$4,975	$661	$2,936	$3,864	$2,662
$ 127	$ 391	$ 207	$ 1,878	$ 321	$ 29	$ 140	$ 147	$ 97
395	1,646	526	4,013	1,043	104	424	699	423
5	20	27	139	42		6	20	30
(2)	(8)	(2)	(11)				7	(1)
525	2,049	758	6,019	1,406	133	570	873	549
79	394	95	1,207	145	13	99	166	78
146	503	193	1,168	429	18	178	223	123
1			111	9		2	3	2
20	50	75	262	34	43	19	25	18
136	108	115	620	142		78	35	100
101	66	83	337	91		65	69	66
483	1,121	561	3,705	850	74	441	521	387
34	375	126	1,107	226	36	60	87	83
8	553	71	1,207	330	23	69	265	79
46	3	114	261	79	50	34		27
22	230	42	513	206	6	35	72	35
$ 32	$ 326	$ 143	$ 955	$ 203	$ 67	$ 68	$ 193	$ 71
993	2,862	1,457	10,913	2,561	307	835	1,196	896
7	2	1	1	3	21	100	3	22
140	1,000	100,000	39,298	3,230	158	1,788	150	760
$ 100	$ 10	$ 1	$ 25	$ 100	$ 31	$ 25	$ 100	$ 25

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	Eastern Nebraska Tel. Co.	*Eustis Tel. Exch.*	*General Tel. Co. of the Midwest*		*Glenwood Tel. Memb. Corp.*
			Total	*Neb.*	
BALANCE SHEET (000)					
Telephone Plant	$5,521	$566	$ 395,569	$70,524	$6,773
Depreciation Reserve	1,975	219	126,182	29,235	1,886
Net Telephone Plant	3,546	347	269,387	41,289	4,887
Investments and Funds	759	59	8,903		91
Current Assets	685	11	22,972		898
Prepayments & Deferred Charges	17	1	1,810		149
Total Assets	$5,007	$418	$303,072		$6,025
Capital Stock	55	5	67,500		
Surplus	2,050	283	41,398		1,450
Total Equity	2,105	288	108,898		1,450
Long Term Debt	2,318	88	101,079		4,493
Current & Accrued Liabilities	107	24	32,396		82
Deferred Credits	477	18	60,699		
Total Liabilities & Equity	$5,007	$418	$303,072		$6,025
INCOME STATEMENT (000)					
Local Service Revenues	$266	$42	$37,705	$7,157	$352
Toll Service Revenues	1,187	154	72,415	12,343	772
Miscellaneous Revenues	15		17,700	3,282	31
Uncollectible Revenues	(11)		(293)	(31)	(2)
Total Operating Revenues	1,457	196	127,527	22,751	1,153
Maintenance	219	20	22,146	3,561	190
Depreciation & Amortization	294	30	29,462	5,994	390
Traffic	5	1	5,235	1,147	5
Commercial	80	7	7,739	1,351	65
Gen. Office Salary & Expense	303	37	11,022	1,860	146
Other Operating Expense	118	16	9,111	1,721	152
Total Operating Expense	1,019	111	84,715	15,634	948
Operating Taxes	237	30	18,221	3,050	98
Net Operating Income	201	55	24,591	4,067	107
Miscellaneous Income	85	2	2,112		91
Fixed Charges	57	18	9,793		92
Net Income	$229	$39	$16,910		$106
Access Lines	2,339	434	238,711	43,785	2,628
Stockholders	4	1	1		2,236
Preferred Shares	200		90,000		
Par Value	$100		no par		
Common Shares	350	50	2,340,000		
Par Value	$100	$100	no par		

Great Plains Comm.	Hamilton Tel. Co.	Hartington Tel. Co.	Hartman Tel. Exch.	Home Tel. Co. of Neb.	Hooper Tel. Co.	K&M Tel. Co.	Keystone-Arthur Tel. Co.	Lincoln Tel. & Tel.
$27,539	$7,837	$1,942	$2,037	$911	$1,281	$1,520	$2,182	$361,514
12,494	3,677	922	501	317	561	837	403	122,154
15,045	4,160	1,020	1,536	594	720	683	1,779	239,360
9,032	167	28		7	9	5	22	3,790
6,209	953	388	469	161	403	391	385	25,760
84	38	6	27	6	5	3		2,253
$30,370	$5,318	$1,442	$2,032	$768	$1,137	$1,082	$2,186	$271,163
486	52	19	37	37	449	36	29	10,102
11,544	2,935	1,010	316	639	446	167	357	106,177
12,030	2,987	1,029	353	676	895	203	386	116,279
15,956	1,228	302	1,555	35	61	837	1,542	70,567
664	304	67	11	32	75	21	161	40,329
1,720	799	44	113	25	106	21	97	43,988
$30,370	$5,318	$1,442	$2,032	$768	$1,137	$1,082	$2,186	$271,163
$ 1,808	$ 585	$ 208	$ 63	$ 63	$ 127	$ 117	$ 62	$ 46,054
4,917	1,738	402	440	239	341	210	358	69,132
298	175	15	3	3	19	7	12	11,730
11	(26)	1	(3)			(1)	(1)	(349)
7,034	2,472	626	503	305	487	333	431	126,567
1,414	472	97	52	54	55	50	73	21,822
1,549	761	136	100	43	80	111	65	28,069
63	276		1	2	4		1	6,397
290	164	27	18	12	38	9	11	8,295
1,163	106	41	118	60	45	71	63	10,633
279	(37)	51	71	26	35	47	40	8,331
4,758	1,742	352	360	197	257	288	253	83,547
1,097	330	148	69	48	118	25	67	19,179
1,179	400	126	74	60	112	20	111	23,841
286	58	36	39	6	37	27	12	407
386	94	6	32	3	8	18	22	7,643
$ 1,079	$ 364	$ 156	$ 81	$ 63	$ 141	$ 29	$ 101	$ 16,605
12,606	4,625	1,334	469	731	1,131	648	424	200,050
10	79	48	1	2	19	4	5	2,507
								100,991
								$100
4,859	3,459	386	6,062	610	293	1,000		
$ 100	$ 15	$ 50	$ 100	$100	$ 25	$ 100	$ 100	$ 3

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	Nebraska Central Tel. Co.	Northeast Nebraska Tel. Co.	Northwestern Bell Tel. Co. Total	Northwestern Bell Tel. Co. Neb.	Petersburg Tel. Co.
BALANCE SHEET (000)					
Telephone Plant	$6,501	$8,221	$5,460,794	$831,350	$1,440
Depreciation Reserve	2,375	2,739	1,366,965	188,949	107
Net Telephone Plant	5,482	4,093,829	642,401	1,333	
Investments and Funds	244	520	13,795		
Current Assets	359	456	466,150		203
Prepayments & Deferred Charges		250	34,579		61
Total Assets	$4,729	$6,708	$4,608,353		$1,597
Capital Stock	200	52	1,565,060		6
Surplus	1,640	2,785	191,369		258
Total Equity	1,840	2,837	1,756,429		264
Long Term Debt	2,062	3,655	1,382,826		1,238
Current & Accrued Liabilities	231	215	488,081		87
Deferred Credits	596	1	981,017		8
Total Liabilities & Equity	$4,729	$6,708	$4,608,353		$1,597
INCOME STATEMENT (000)					
Local Service Revenues	$434	$352	$861,011	$98,991	$83
Toll Service Revenues	1,131	1,130	938,155	129,713	311
Miscellaneous Revenues	25	27	215,600	31,319	1
Uncollectible Revenues	3	(7)	(6,330)	(871)	(1)
Total Operating Revenues	1,593	1,502	2,008,436	259,152	394
Maintenance	268	266	321,931	44,881	31
Depreciation & Amortization	448	459	355,015	56,512	75
Traffic	9	12	64,233	9,766	
Commercial	33	33	170,754	24,228	12
Gen. Office Salary & Expense	216	149	184,682	26,781	53
Other Operating Expense	156	140	181,682	6,776	80
Total Operating Expense	1,130	1,059	1,278,297	168,944	251
Operating Taxes	202	113	359,399	41,382	54
Net Operating Income	261	330	370,740	48,826	89
Miscellaneous Income	76	39	5,927		4
Fixed Charges	151	76	121,954		24
Net Income	$186	$293	$254,713		$69
Access Lines	3,254	3,572	3,369,946	428,202	454
Stockholders	30	3,778	1		4
Preferred Shares	3,200				
Par Value	$50				
Common Shares	800		78,253,012		60
Par Value	$50		$20		$100

Pierce Tel Co.	Plainview Tel. Co.	Rock County Tel. Co.	Rodeo Tel. Inc.	Southeast Nebraska Tel. Co.	Stanton Tel. Co.	Three River Telco	United Tel. Co. of the West Total	United Tel. Co. of the West Neb.
$2,500	$1,128	$3,674	$5,833	$5,124	$2,702	$4,866	$46,218	$36,685
1,411	603	955	2,154	2,311	450	1,378	12,574	9,081
1,089	525	2,719	3,679	2,813	2,252	3,488	33,644	27,604
34	683	376	681		15	2	131	
1,347	421	173	310	1,085	357	1,890	3,347	
1	3	34	1,035	14	128	114	138	
$2,471	$1,632	$3,302	$5,705	$3,912	$2,752	$5,494	$37,260	
17	100	150	22	69	46	12	3,309	
1,053	1,225	995	673	1,024	305	1,886	10,828	
1,070	1,325	1,145	695	1,093	351	1,898	14,137	
1,073	208	1,617	4,902	2,327	2,301	3,551	12,421	
206	63	62	108	290	57	45	3,336	
122	36	478		202	43		7,368	
$2,471	$1,632	$3,302	$5,705	$3,912	$2,752	$5,494	$37,260	
$ 219	$ 163	$ 190	$ 407	$ 753	$ 160	$ 169	$ 5,771	$ 4,963
367	324	631	665	1,309	513	895	9,661	7,407
10	23	12	20	36	15	8	1,329	1,033
		(2)	(2)		(1)	(5)	(79)	(63)
596	510	831	1,090	2,098	687	1,067	16,682	13,340
95	64	140	176	233	68	147	2,623	2,133
149	69	179	424	180	145	309	3,634	2,918
6	4	2	6	133	3	3	680	508
20	39	33	22	29	31	26	1,247	994
172	125	128	111	484	196	51	1,560	2,226
50	22	27	119	348	42	113	1,200	
492	323	509	858	1,407	485	649	10,944	8,779
68	114	156	101	207	40	55	2,481	2,006
36	73	166	131	484	162	363	3,257	2,555
103	78	25	64	24	12	157	112	
22	4	33	100	108	117	72	1,170	
$ 117	$ 147	$ 158	$ 95	$ 400	$ 57	$ 448	$ 2,199	
1,607	1,135	1,017	2,505	3,207	946	1,231	29,842	23,632
9	5	2	2,177	3	2	1,151	1	
		1,760						
		$ 13						
174	1,000	10,256		68,666	460		151,049	
$ 100	$ 100	$ 13		$ 1	$ 100		NO PAR	

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	Wauneta Tel. Co.	Total
BALANCE SHEET (000)		
Telephone Plant	$2,971	$6,435,991
Depreciation Reserve	434	1,687,975
Net Telephone Plant	2,537	4,748,016
Investments and Funds		43,024
Current Assets	259	547,929
Prepayments & Deferred Charges	7	41,434
Total Assets	$2,803	$5,380,403
Capital Stock	8	1,649,621
Surplus	255	401,534
Total Equity	263	2,051,155
Long Term Debt	2,359	1,653,676
Current & Accrued Liabilities	15	569,723
Deferred Credits	166	1,105,849
Total Liabilities & Equity	$2,803	$5,380,403
INCOME STATEMENT (000)		
Local Service Revenues	$ 99	$ 962,193
Toll Service Revenues	634	1,121,374
Miscellaneous Revenues	7	247,573
Uncollectible Revenues	(7,139)	
Total Operating Revenues	740	2,324,001
Maintenance	86	376,108
Depreciation & Amortization	114	426,440
Traffic	2	77,361
Commercial	18	189,848
Gen. Office Salary & Expense	107	214,381
Other Operating Expense	253	203,956
Total Operating Expense	580	1,488,094
Operating Taxes	38	405,470
Net Operating Income	122	430,437
Miscellaneous Income	32	10,734
Fixed Charges	49	143,710
Net Income	$105	$297,461
Access Lines	663	773,382
Stockholders	4	
Preferred Shares		
Par Value		
Common Shares	770	
Par Value	$10	

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	Arapahoe Tel. Co.	*Arlington Tel. Co.*	*Benkelman Tel. Co.*	*Blair Tel. Co.*	*Cambridge Tel. Co.*
BALANCE SHEET (000)					
Telephone Plant	$3,094	$2,100	$4,135	$8,961	$ 935
Depreciation Reserve	963	422	1,285	4,097	538
Net Telephone Plant	2,131	1,678	2,850	4,864	397
Investments and Funds	545	429	36	1,918	168
Current Assets	966	103	1,612	1,088	291
Prepayments & Deferred Charges	15	92	8	31	1
Total Assets	$3,657	$2,302	$4,506	$7,901	$ 857
Capital Stock	15	47	95	61	28
Surplus	1,193	935	1,171	2,543	648
Total Equity	1,208	982	1,266	2,604	676
Long Term Debt	2,011	913	2,690	4,416	145
Current & Accrued Liabilities	84	52	91	228	36
Deferred Credits	354	355	459	653	
Total Liabilities & Equity	$3,657	$2,302	$4,506	$7,901	$ 857
INCOME STATEMENT (000)					
Local Service Revenues	$ 142	$ 131	$ 162	$ 1,045	$ 110
Toll Service Revenues	621	501	876	2,237	309
Miscellaneous Revenues	21	17	36	231	34
Uncollectible Revenues	(8)	(1)		(9)	(5)
Total Operating Revenues	776	648	1,074	3,504	448
Maintenance	95	90	146	616	101
Depreciation & Amortization	182	89	201	531	90
Traffic	4	2	4	116	
Commercial	10	33	22	163	
Gen. Office Salary & Expense	129	99	211	599	108
Other Operating Expense	97	46	138	367	34
Total Operating Expense	517	359	722	2,392	333
Operating Taxes	112	123	183	451	21
Net Operating Income	147	166	169	661	94
Miscellaneous Income	50	30	129	98	(16)
Fixed Charges	21	20	55	323	4
Net Income	$176	$176	$243	$436	$74
Access Lines	1,033	895	1,222	4,554	1,160
Stockholders	6	4	2	6	50
Preferred Shares		5,500			
Par Value		$ 5			
Common Shares	147	4,929	950	1,218	1,134
Par Value	$ 100	$ 5	$ 100	$ 50	$ 25

Clarks Tel. Co.	Consolidated Tel. Co.	Consolidated Telco Inc.	Cozad Tel. Co.	Craig Tel. Co.	Curtis Tel. Co.	Dalton Tel. Co.	Diller Tel. Co.	Eastern Nebraska Tel. Co.
$2,054	$7,802	$3,044	$4,804	$425	$2,868	$3,639	$2,551	$5,956
1,308	3,035	1,717	1,902	227	1,046	751	882	2,256
746	4,767	1,327	2,902	198	1,822	2,888	1,669	3,700
171	6	24	273		372	20	676	966
818	1,163	1,500	2,195	490	776	1,180	259	595
142		3	19		6	53	116	14
$1,877	$5,936	$2,854	$5,389	$688	$2,976	$4,141	$2,720	$5,275
14	10	100	323	5	45	15	19	55
690	2,344	732	1,726	428	962	679	768	2,389
704	2,354	832	2,049	433	1,007	694	787	2,444
1,029	1,516	1,616	2,702	257	1,710	2,939	1,675	2,222
7	977	239	76	(3)	41	185	39	73
137	1,089	167	562	1	218	323	219	536
$1,877	$5,936	$2,854	$5,389	$688	$2,976	$4,141	$2,720	$5,275
$ 141	$ 409	$ 219	$ 318	$ 27	$ 132	$ 144	$ 96	$ 275
380	1,679	454	1,102	101	425	1,015	461	1,199
5	16	30	44	5	29	19	21	15
1	(5)	(3)	7	(2)		9		(13)
527	2,099	700	1,471	131	586	1,187	578	1,476
83	369	104	180	12	96	251	92	232
127	568	195	419	16	165	311	144	284
1	3	3	10		2	4	2	5
22	59	47	28		19	35	4	74
147	132	147	175	45	90	65	96	285
122	51	94	103	1	74	90	67	101
502	1,182	590	915	74	446	756	405	981
16	376	82	220	20	64	192	86	244
9	541	28	336	37	76	239	87	251
52	49	111	95	27	36	7	58	85
21	215	41	199	5	35	70	34	54
$ 40	$ 375	$ 98	$ 232	$ 59	$ 77	$ 176	$ 111	$ 282
989	2,862	1,474	2,565	291	779	1,300	888	2,175
7	2	1	3	12	100	2	22	4
								200
								$ 100
140	1,000	100,000	3,230	143	1,788	150	760	350
$ 100	$ 10	$ 1	$ 100	$ 31	$ 25	$ 100	$ 25	$ 100

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	Eustis Tel. Exch.	General Tel. Co. of the Midwest Total	Neb.	Glenwood Tel. Memb. Corp.	Great Plains Comm.
BALANCE SHEET (000)					
Telephone Plant	$569	$ 407,420	$68,493	$6,838	$53,664
Depreciation Reserve	244	130,797	22,477	2,253	20,867
Net Telephone Plant	325	276,623	46,016	4,585	32,797
Investments and Funds	50	5,597		257	1,402
Current Assets	59	22,200		945	7,595
Prepayments & Deferred Charges	3	3,348		122	137
Total Assets	$437	$307,768		$5,909	$41,931
Capital Stock	5	63,000		442	
Surplus	322	46,544		1,496	12,129
Total Equity	327	109,544		1,496	12,571
Long Term Debt	50	100,837		4,322	21,260
Current & Accrued Liabilities	36	36,294		91	1,634
Deferred Credits	24	61,093			6,466
Total Liabilities & Equity	$437	$307,768		$5,909	$41,931
INCOME STATEMENT (000)					
Local Service Revenues	$41	$39,118	$6,709	$349	$3,899
Toll Service Revenues	162	79,977	13,095	774	8,760
Miscellaneous Revenues		15,970	2,841	32	589
Uncollectible Revenues		(122)	(66)	(2)	15
Total Operating Revenues	203	134,943	22,579	1,153	13,263
Maintenance	25	23,648	3,838	197	2,530
Depreciation & Amortization	27	30,466	5,920	401	2,998
Traffic	1	4,725	809	6	130
Commercial	5	8,678	1,527	73	424
Gen. Office Salary & Expense	40	12,275	2,088	131	2,009
Other Operating Expense	16	9,754	1,810	143	705
Total Operating Expense	114	89,546	15,992	951	8,796
Operating Taxes	41	20,229	2,713	113	1,671
Net Operating Income	48	25,168	3,874	89	2,796
Miscellaneous Income	5	1,050	339	92	150
Fixed Charges	14	9,262	1,451	89	1,593
Net Income	$39	$16,956	$2,762	$92	$1,353
Access Lines	435	239,519	43,785	2,683	24,049
Stockholders	1	1		2,200	12
Preferred Shares		45,000			
Par Value		no par			
Common Shares	50	2,340,000		4,417	
Par Value	$100	no par			$100

Hamilton Tel. Co.	Hartington Tel. Co.	Hartman Tel. Exch.	Tel. Co. of Neb.	Hooper	K & M Tel. Co.	Keystone-Arthur Tel. Co.	Lincoln T[illegible] & Tel. Tel. Co.	Nebraska Central Tel. Co.
$7,913	$2,077	$2,042	$950	$1,290	$1,532	$2,228	$364,749	$8,774
3,663	638	583	361	635	939	423	127,612	2,513
4,250	1,439	1,459	589	655	593	1,805	237,137	6,261
196	198		74	10	5	154	4,710	270
1,274	634	691	213	522	518	556	27,897	814
46	18	14	4	3	1		2,149	
$5,766	$2,289	$2,164	$880	$1,190	$1,117	$2,515	$271,893	$7,345
52	19	37	37	449	36	29	9,862	200
3,081	1,150	420	732	524	225	460	111,669	1,748
3,133	1,169	457	769	973	261	489	121,531	1,948
1,160	962	1,514	30	50	802	1,705	68,208	4,463
328	74	21	43	53	17	172	35,371	248
1,145	84	172	38	114	37	149	46,783	686
$5,766	$2,289	$2,164	$880	$1,190	$1,117	$2,515	$271,893	$7,345
$ 583	$ 186	$ 65	$ 64	$ 122	$ 130	$ 69	$ 44,117	$ 427
1,812	439	519	268	319	178	531	62,753	1,220
150	53	2	3	15	14	4	14,274	27
6		1			1	(1)	(1,022)	(2)
2,551	678	587	335	456	323	603	120,122	1,672
493	105	54	51	53	43	80	21,190	286
712	120	101	44	79	102	152	28,552	467
289		1	3	5		1	5,538	12
180	25	19	12	32	7	19	7,491	47
100	67	140	68	40	54	83	12,623	232
(33)	49	79	28	33	44	71	7,838	157
1,741	366	394	206	242	250	406	83,232	1,201
401	147	95	42	95	25	77	15,576	101
409	165	98	87	119	48	120	21,314	370
98	39	43	6	27	26	15	356	79
92	26	31	3	7	16	32	7,097	324
$ 415	$ 178	$ 110	$ 90	$ 139	$ 58	$ 103	$ 14,573	$ 125
4,304	1,321	457	719	1,121	652	442	203,852	3,476
77	48	1	2	20	3	5	2,435	30
							98,591	3,200
							$100	$50
3,449	386	370	372	6,062	365	293	1,000	800
$ 15	$ 50	$ 100	$100	$ 25	$ 100	$ 100	$ 3	$ 50

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	Northeast Nebraska Tel. Co.	*Northwestern Bell Tel. Co. Total*	*Neb.*	*Petersburg Tel. Co.*	*Pierce Tel. Co.*
BALANCE SHEET (000)					
Telephone Plant	$9,089	$5,866,537	$916,989	$1,442	$2,538
Depreciation Reserve	2,992	1,645,220	237,328	187	1,547
Net Telephone Plant	6,097	4,221,317	679,661	1,255	991
Investments and Funds	547	14,181		18	38
Current Assets	1,259	422,653		294	1,580
Prepayments & Deferred Charges	205	52,252		30	1
Total Assets	$8,108	$4,710,403		$1,597	$2,610
Capital Stock	51	1,565,060		6	17
Surplus	3,096	190,269		281	1,155
Total Equity	3,147	1,755,329		287	1,172
Long Term Debt	4,410	1,290,297		1,238	1,028
Current & Accrued Liabilities	551	608,161		62	213
Deferred Credits		1,056,616		10	197
Total Liabilities & Equity	$8,108	$4,710,403		$1,597	$2,610
INCOME STATEMENT (000)					
Local Service Revenues	$329	$926,663	$118,070	$83	$225
Toll Service Revenues	1,219	1,006,227	145,312	312	409
Miscellaneous Revenues	29	191,822	32,832	1	10
Uncollectible Revenues	6	(5,149)	(746)	1	1
Total Operating Revenues	1,583	2,119,563	295,468	397	645
Maintenance	292	317,742	45,080	42	108
Depreciation & Amortization	469	381,599	62,397	84	131
Traffic	15	63,157	9,088		5
Commercial	32	157,155	21,940	14	22
Gen. Office Salary & Expense	159	209,281	30,861	62	193
Other Operating Expense	160	206,070	2,265	74	85
Total Operating Expense	1,127	1,335,004	171,631	276	544
Operating Taxes	123	381,726	56,110	47	65
Net Operating Income	333	402,833	67,727	74	36
Miscellaneous Income	104	9,573		9	107
Fixed Charges	90	125,392		25	21
Net Income	$347	$287,014		$58	$122
Access Lines	3,524	3,479,778	442,925	492	1,614
Stockholders	3,754	1		4	9
Preferred Shares					
Par Value					
Common Shares		78,253,012		60	174
Par Value		$20		$100	$100

Plainview Tel. Co.	Rock County Tel Co.	Rodeo Tel. Inc.	Southeast Nebraska Tel. Co.	Stanton Tel. Co.	Three River Telco	United Tel. Co. of the West Total	United Tel. Co. of the West Neb.	Wauneta Tel. Co.	Total
$1,193	$3,743	$5,859	$8,430	$2,724	$4,887	$46,528	$36,730	$3,041	$6,868,425
695	934	2,541	2,512	587	1,612	13,838	10,972	595	1,985,217
498	2,809	3,318	5,918	2,137	3,275	32,690	25,758	2,446	4,883,208
678	1,305	1,004	1	35	1	(49)		83	36,369
525	508	326	1,255	432	2,401	5,728		455	514,370
7	48	1,012	22	111	97	88		11	60,229
$1,708	$4,670	$5,660	$7,196	$2,715	$5,774	$38,457		$2,995	$5,494,176
100	150	22	69	46	11	3,309		8	1,643,849
1,347	1,231	809	1,354	307	2,174	10,709		329	410,769
1,447	1,381	831	1,423	353	2,185	14,018		337	2,054,618
194	2,506	4,717	5,293	2,268	3,419	12,276		2,308	1,561,158
28	85	112	125	54	170	4,632		114	690,814
39	698	355	40		7,531			236	1,187,586
$1,708	$4,670	$5,660	$7,196	$2,715	$5,774	$38,457		$2,995	$5,494,176
$161	$186	$430	$743	$187	$161	$5,965	$5,001	$90	$1,027,744
322	611	740	884	483	715	10,680	8,462	580	1,192,254
21	12	22	441	13	6	1,573	1,356	25	225,631
		(3)			(5)	1	1		(6,303)
504	809	1,189	2,068	683	877	18,219	14,820	695	2,439,326
78	141	198	314	67	144	3,017	2,429	123	373,488
86	162	418	180	147	289	4,052	3,257	163	455,323
3	2	4	127	4	3	716	535	3	74,906
28	35	20	36	33	20	1,344	1,073	15	176,282
147	124	112	544	247	57	1,772	2,615	90	242,978
34	49	128	67	52	113	1,455		104	228,660
376	513	880	1,268	550	626	12,356	9,909	498	1,551,637
61	164	116	170	42	69	2,603	2,254	104	426,093
67	132	193	630	91	182	3,260	2,657	93	461,596
59	167	86	30	17	187	186		26	13,348
4	67	97	94	114	70	1,086		46	146,789
$122	$232	$182	$566	($6)	$299	$2,360		$73	$328,155
1,156	1,000	2,438	3,760	952	1,225	30,033	23,715	678	792,962
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1,000	10,256		68,666	460		151,049		770	
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